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MANY CHRISTMAS EXERCISES TONIGHT

Various Sunday Schools of the City Will Join in the Merry Yuletide.

UNIQUE ENTERTAINMENTS AND EXERCISES TO BE GIVEN

Cantatas, Christmas Trees and Various Other Programs Form Features.

Many local Sunday schools will tonight hold Christmas exercises of various natures. Commencing at 7 o'clock the full Christmas spirit will be manifest throughout the city and more especially in the churches, where unique programs and entertainments apropos of the occasion have been all planned for. Cantatas, Christmas trees, and various other exercises will form the main features of the evening.

Baptist Giving Christmas.
At seven o'clock tonight at the Baptist church, the Sunday school will hold Christmas services. Following out the custom of the past 10 years, the main feature of the evening will be a missionary program, entitled, "The Spirit of Christmas." An offering will be taken in support of the Baptist Home Mission Society and the Women's Home Mission Society. On the completion of the foregoing, some novel Christmas exercises will be given, and all will partake of good Christmas cheer.

Methodist Sunday School Cantata.
Tonight at 7:30 the members of the First Methodist Sunday school will give the cantata "Planting the Christmas Tree."

The church has been beautifully decorated and preparations are being made to give those present an enjoyable and profitable evening's entertainment.

It has been the custom in this school for several years to have a "Giving Christmas," the gifts to go to some worthy cause. This year a silver offering will be taken for a purpose to be announced during the evening.

Cantata at United Presbyterian.

A splendid cantata, with a chorus of fifty voices and a genuine Santa Claus will form the Christmas exercises at the United Presbyterian church tonight. Part one of the cantata introduces a merry party of boys and girls who are making out their Christmas lists before it is too late. A fitting chorus and general discussion, coupled with difficulties make the scene very lively. Mr. Sandiman will make his appearance in the second part. And as the playlet progresses, pleasing scenes and interesting conditions exist, until finally the little heroine, Dorothy, who sold her doll in the first part to secure money to bring cheer to her sick mother, reappears with good news and reclaims her doll.

A beautiful Christmas play was given at the Academy to mark the opening of the holiday season. A large crowd attended and enjoyed the play.

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HERE IS THE HAPPIEST BOY IN ALBANY

Poundmaster Gets His Dog; Friends Come to Rescue and Saves Dog's Life.

"Have you seen anything of my little black dog?" This was the question put to an officer of the Albany police force this afternoon by a little chap who had spent most of the morning in quest of his playmate. When informed that his dog was in the pound, the little fellow tearfully asked how much it would cost him to get the dog back for Xmas. When told that he would have to pay the city \$250, he burst into sobs and said that all the money he had was the dollar bill which his grandmother has set him for Christmas and his folks would not give him any more.

Believing that he was robbed of his best friend and playmate by a heartless shyster who is officiously designated as poundmaster, the boy turned his face homeward, thinking that tomorrow he must mourn the loss of his dog while other little folks were making merry.

The case came to the attention of a resident of Albany, who volunteered to pay the fee demanded by the poundmaster. Officer King volunteered to pay half and the poundmaster finally yielded to the plea of the latter and contributed a dollar of the charges. After the "pound of flesh" had been taken, the dog was released.

Later the case was brought to the attention of the city authorities by Officer King and the money was refunded by order of the city council.

The writer has never seen a happier smile than that which adorned the face of this boy after his canine companion had been returned.

CRIMINAL NEWS

Standard Oil Representative Here.—W. P. Blake, a representative of the Standard Oil company, of Portland, is in the city today transacting business in the interest of the company.

Old Time Engineer.—A Walsh, an old time engineer of the S. P. railroad of many years ago, but now retired, was in the city last night visiting friends. He is enroute to his home in Portland after visiting relatives in San Francisco. He stopped over night at the Vandran.

Find Beaver Fur.—Game Warden Metzgar has located \$50 worth of beaver fur. He found the property near the forks of the Santiam.

Home From California.—Buford Payne arrived in Albany last night from San Francisco to spend the Christmas holidays. He has been attending the University of California.

Petition to Appoint Guardian.—Alice J. Bishop, this morning filed petition in the juvenile court for appointment of a guardian of Vina Whitaker, age 11 years. Her mother is dead. Alice Bishop is a grandmother and asks that she be appointed guardian.

Spend Xmas at Detroit.—Leaving this morning, D. J. Crickelair went to Detroit where he will spend Christmas with M. McCalman, "the mayor" of that town. Mr. Crickelair was accompanied by Mr. McCalman, who transacted business here yesterday. "The Mayor" is an Oregon Power company engineer and makes his home at Detroit.

WILSON ON WAY TO MISSISSIPPI

President Receives Scores of Telegrams Congratulating Him on Currency Law.

PRaise OF NEW MEASURE IS ALMOST UNIVERSAL

Names Being Suggested for Membership of New Banking Board.

(By United Press Association)
On Board President Train, North Carolina, Dec. 24.—The president is enjoying a complete rest in his secluded private car and slept late, delaying himself to all visitors at the few stops the special train made on the trip. To attendants he admitted that he was completely tired out but was happy in spite of his physical condition.

Scores of messages from every section of the country congratulated him on the passage of the currency bill were received and all echoed the same note. The president is unable to get away from job seekers, many telegrams having been received today suggesting names for new members of the new federal reserve board. The president expects to make up the personnel of the new branch of the government before he returns to Washington on January 13.

ALBRECHT PAYS FINE OF \$20 IN POLICE COURT

Pleaded Guilty to Charge of Resisting Officer King Yesterday Morning.

Frank Albrecht, charged with resisting an officer, this morning entered a plea of guilty in the police court and was fined \$20 and costs by Judge Van Tassel, which was paid. Albrecht was represented by Attorney Mark Weatherford and L. L. Swan represented the city. It was agreed that the fine should be a minimum one.

Albrecht was arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer King, after he had resisted arrest, during the morning. Albrecht was suspected of hipping a woman in his pocket and when told to halt by the officer, started on a run and outdistanced his pursuer.

Marriage License Issued.—John Sliwacka, age 30, of Tangent and Greta McChurchill, age 26, of Plainview, were issued a marriage license this morning.

Petition to Probate Will.—Upon petition of Sam Garland, attorney for petitioner, the will of the late John B. Hudleson was admitted to probate. The deceased passed away December 1, 1913, at the age of 85, leaving an estate of \$6000. There are nine heirs. William Hudleson will act as executor.

GLOOM SETTLES OVER CHICAGO

Inky Blackness Caused By Low Hung Cloud Puts Damper on Xmas Shopping.

STREET LIGHTS IN USE AT THE NOON HOUR

Second Time in Past Month That Unusual Conditions Prevailed in Windy City.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—An inky blackness settled over Chicago today. Christmas shoppers fought their way through the gloom which was as pronounced as at midnight.

This is the second time in a month that the phenomena has occurred. The street lights twinkled through the darkness, the automobile headlights flashed and the lake craft operated with searchlights. All stores and office buildings are illuminated. The weather bureau attributed the darkness to the presence of a low hanging cloud and to the fact that aerostatical pressure made the air stagnant. In the absence of wind, smoke clouds hung over the city during the greater portion of the day.

Cliff Simon arrived this noon from Tangent to spend Christmas at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Simon.

COURT CONTEMPT PRISONER RELEASED FROM CUSTODY

Ed. Richards Given Liberty Just in Time to Enjoy Christmas a Free Man.

After serving 10 days for contempt of court, Edward Richards was this morning released from the county jail just in time to enjoy Christmas a free man.

It was just ten days ago today that Richards was hailed before the juvenile court on a citation issued by Judge McKnight. Previously Richards was up before court on a charge of not providing the proper parental care for his 13 year old daughter Pearl. A neighbor entered the complaint. Judge McKnight continued the case pending investigation and set December 15 as the date for the final hearing.

Richards appeared according to the citation but was unaccompanied by the girl. Investigation developed that she had been sent to Tillamook to reside with relatives. For contempt of court in sending the girl out of its jurisdiction while a case involving her was being considered, Richards was sent to jail.

MORNING STAR GRANGE ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

A. C. Libby Is Chosen Worthy Master—Open Installation to Be Held.

Morning Star grange No. 311 elected the following officers at its last meeting: Worthy master, A. C. Libby; overseer, Thos. Farlow; lecturer, Mary A. Coolidge; steward, D. L. Butler; assistant steward, Wallace Truax; chaplain, Grace Libby; treasurer, W. E. Fisher; secretary, Louise E. Reynolds; gate keeper, G. A. Asdic; Ceres, Cora Philippi; Pomona, Lizzie Truax; Ferial, Gertrude Asche; lady assistant steward, Lena Asche; organizer, Mae Stratton. Trustee for three years, Thos. Farlow.

An all day session of Morning Star will be held on Saturday, Jan. 10, 1914. All friends of the grange are invited for the afternoon at which time they will hold an open installation of officers, followed by a program.

ST. JOHNS DAY WILL BE OBSERVED ON SATURDAY

Masonic Lodge Members Planning Elaborate Celebration in Honor of Day.

The annual observance of St. Johns Day will take place on Saturday evening at the Masonic Temple by St. John's Lodge A. F. & A. M., of this city.

A banquet, a musical program and other features of entertainment will mark the celebration. All Masons and their families are cordially urged to attend.

Elaborate plans are under way to make the affair a pleasant as well as a successful one and the Masons are looking forward to it with pleasure.

Several prominent Masons are slated for addresses. From indications the celebration will shatter all precedents, pertaining to the observance of the day, in the history of the local lodge.

ALBANY MAN RETURNS AFTER MONTHS TRIP IN THE MIDDLE WEST

C. H. Stewart Is Glad to Be Home; Reports Splendid Trip; Comments on Chicago Land Show Which He Attended.

Returning last night from the east, C. H. Stewart is home after an absence of a month, during which time he attended the Chicago Land Show as an Oregon representative and visited the various places in the middle west. He visited relatives whom he had not seen in many years. He reports an enjoyable time and is glad to be back home. Mr. Stewart returned by way of Denver, and just got home on the approach of a heavy snow storm which is raging in Utah, Colorado and Eastern Oregon. It began to snow hard while he was enroute. Everything is reported as tied up now.

Mr. Stewart visited a brother, G. J. Stewart, of Charleston, Iowa, whom he had not seen in forty years. The two brothers enjoyed a visit of two days in Youngstown, Ohio, the home of the Stewart, looking over old landmarks, renewing acquaintances of long ago and looking up family records.

"If the Oregon exhibit had been entered in a contest under similar rules of those governing the Oregon state fair, it would have excelled a combination of any 6 exhibits of states at the show," said Mr. Stewart, in commenting on the Chicago show. "All exhibits more or less ran into the elaborate and leaned towards spectacular displays while our exhibit showed up more the diversified character of the products of Oregon. Thousands of people visited the exhibit, many of whom came to Chicago to attend the stock show. This show attracts the better class of farmers all over the middle west as far east as Pittsburg and as far south as Texas. It was being held at the same time that the land show was being held. A very great interest was manifested. The point that seemed to impress them more was that we raised considerable more than fruit in Oregon. Many seemed to have the impression that this was only a fruit country. This fact was known before we went east and we had made special preparation to counteract this wrong impression and we did. Hundreds expressed the probability of coming here to locate, giving us their reasons for wanting a change that they were simply tired of the conditions in the east and want a better climate."

W. Richards, of Roseburg, attended business matters in Albany yesterday, returning home this morning. D. M. McLaughlin returned last night from San Francisco, where he attended business. He is assistant master mechanic at the local railroad shops.

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J. O'BRYANT HELD UP AND ROBBED

2 Highwaymen Assailed Young Benton County Resident on Steel Bridge.

VICTIM MAULED OVER HEAD FOR PALTRY \$5

Bleeding from Injuries O'Bryant, Came to Local Drug Store and Was Treated.

Bleeding from injuries on his head and hands, Jack O'Bryant, age 22, staggered into Foshay & Mason's drug store last night shortly before eight o'clock and told a story of how he had been assailed by two men at the foot of the steel bridge, and robbed of about \$5.

O'Bryant resides across the river about a mile from Albany near the school house, at the home of his brother-in-law, Roy Kelly. He was on his way to town, afoot, when assailed by the two men. The holdup occurred on the north approach of the bridge about 7:30 o'clock. One of the men is described as being tall and the other short. One it is said wore a light suit and dark hat and the other a dark suit. It was too dark to discern their features and neither one spoke a word, while working on their victim.

O'Bryant said he had just reached the foot of the bridge, when he noticed two men coming toward him. They walked past, and turning quickly assailed him. One struck O'Bryant a heavy blow behind the ear with an instrument, described as being about a foot long and appearing to be a piece of lead pipe, wrapped in cloth. The unfortunate man was struck another blow on the temple. His face was badly lacerated and bruised though not serious. O'Bryant was not rendered unconscious but was stunned for a moment. Thrown down, one of the highwaymen held his victim by standing on his hands. The imprint of each cork was left on O'Bryant's hands from which the blood freely flowed.

O'Bryant said that at the time he told the men if they were looking for money, he would give them all he had, but they disregarded this and went after their plunder in a cruel and heartless fashion. An approaching rig from town frightened the men and they bent a hasty retreat to the foot of the bridge and disappeared, having secured their plunder. O'Bryant regained his feet and came to town. Entering the drug store, his injuries were washed and dressed. Word was sent to the relatives and the injured man was taken home in a rig. Today he is reported as convalescing nicely.

EASTERN STAR ELECTS SET OF NEW OFFICERS

Mrs. Maude Ltrauss Elected Worthy Matron—Candidates Initiated.

Meeting last night the order of Eastern Star transacted the regular order of business, initiated several candidates and elected officers for the ensuing year.

The election resulted as follows: Mrs. Maude Ltrauss, worthy matron; John R. Hallbert, worthy patron; Mrs. J. T. Wentworth, associate matron; Mrs. Marvin Brandberry, conductress; Mrs. L. H. Fish, associate conductress; Mrs. J. B. Lotherman, secretary, and Mrs. William Bain, treasurer. All other officers were re-elected.

Considerable routine business was transacted and several well known candidates were initiated. The work was splendidly exemplified and every one appeared to enjoy the session. The meeting was well attended.

Notarial Commission Pled.—Attorney S. M. Garland yesterday filed his certificate of notarial commission County Clerk Marks.

The Democrat Wishes
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE
AND FOREVER

